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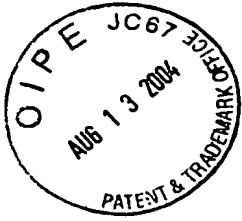
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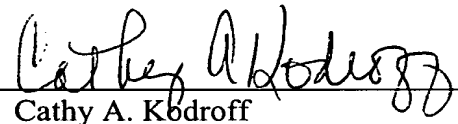
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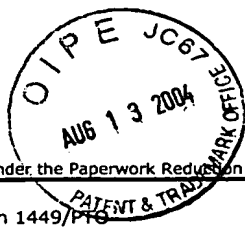
Listed below are documents cited in the International Search Report mailed July 19, 2004 in counterpart International Patent Application No. PCT/US2004/002365, filed January 29, 2004. A copy of the Report is enclosed, together with copies of the four documents not previously disclosed. Document 1 [Zhu, et al., Rapamycin inhibits hepatic stellate cell proliferation in vitro and limits fibrogenesis in an in vivo model of liver fibrosis, Gastroenterology, vol. 117, no. 5, pp. 1198-1204 (November 1999)] of the International Search Report was previously disclosed in this application as document "GG" in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed May 11, 2004.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the enclosed documents identified in this paper and in the attached Form PTO/SB/08A/B during the course of examination of this application.

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